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Dear Mr. Levenstein:

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) prepared by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) for the Long-Term Management and Storage of Elemental Mercury.

EPA Region 6 provided comments on the Draft Supplemental EIS (DSEIS) dated May 31, 2013. EPA rated the DEIS as "EC-2", i.e., EPA had "Environmental Concerns to the Proposed Actions and Requested Additional Information." EPA is pleased that the FSEIS includes additional analysis of the proposed action to address our concerns. We have no additional comments and look forward to the receipt of the Record of Decision document.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the FSEIS. If you have any questions about the 309 Review Process, please contact Michael Jansky, of my staff, at (214) 665-7451 or by email at <a href="mailto:jansky.michael@epa.gov">jansky.michael@epa.gov</a>.

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